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In re Application of:

Brett B. BONNER et al.

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SORT SYSTEM AND METHOD For:

UTILIZING INSTRUCTIONS TO

DIRECT PLACEMENT AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK

Group Art Unit: 2771

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to respond to the Notice of Missing Parts dated June 12, 2000.

A check in the amount of \$1890.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the extension of time.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT & DUNNER, L.L.P.

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